

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on Page 5, line 6, with the following amended paragraph:

Concurrently filed U.S. patent ~~application~~ entitled "DICOM XML DTD/SCHEMA GENERATOR", ~~serial~~patent number         , 6,725,231, filed          March 27, 2001 for Jingkun Hu and Kwok Pun Lee, Attorney Docket US010070 and incorporated by reference herein, discloses a system and method for transforming the DICOM SR specification directly into XML Document Type Definitions (DTDs) and XML Schemas, and is expected to further increase the use of XML as the language of choice for processing DICOM SRs and other DICOM documents.